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RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS FOR HOME HEALTH LINE

1. **IS THE NUMBER OF DME EMPLOYEES THE SAME TODAY AS IT WAS WHEN BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA (BCBSF) DECIDED NOT TO BID FOR THE REGIONAL DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (DME) CONTRACT?**

Yes. When BCBSF made a business decision not to pursue the DME regional contract in June 1992, 63 employees worked in the DME unit. Currently, 63 employees work in the DME unit.

2. **HAS BCBSF BEEN ABLE TO RESPOND TO DME SUPPLIERS' REQUESTS FOR ELECTRONIC BILLING TESTS?**

BCBSF processes DME electronic billing requests within two to three days of receipt.